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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Collection Requirements
and Evaluation Staff

FROM: Senior Review Panel

SUBJECT: Meeting with Messrs. T. Kimel and J. Denny
of the House Appropriations Committee
Staff on 3 June 1980

1. This is a brief summary of a meeting arranged by you between the two above-mentioned individuals and the undersigned.

2. The meeting started out with a statement of objectives, by Denny. The broad objectives relate to the entire field of collection and processing, in particular the efficiency and effectiveness with which the resources are used by the producers. Their specific reason for coming to the SRP, however, was to see if the recently completed post mortem on the Soviet brigade in Cuba shed some light on the issue. They also were interested in learning about the SRP; its history, functions, and future.

3. After describing the SRP and its activities, the discussion turned to the Cuban post mortem. Since the report had not yet been approved for dissemination, especially to Congress, it was explained to Kimel and Denny that we could discuss its general conclusions, and the problems we had identified, but not the recommendations. Both visitors were particularly interested in the question of available resources and the relationship between resource allocations and priorities as expressed in DCID 1/2. They were cautioned not to expect a definable relationship of that nature to exist. They also were interested in the possibility of a future SRP Community wide role.

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4. They were urged also to examine the question of the balance between collection and processing resources, on the one hand, and production, on the other, on a case by case basis. The very expensive collection and processing capabilities developed for Soviet military programs should not be charged against political or economic intelligence concerning the Third World, for example.

5. Copies of the report on the Cuban post mortem were promised to them when released for dissemination to Congress.


Member/SRP


Executive Assistant/SRP

cc: OLC/ID